GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1340
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DEEPENING OF PORTS
Oram Shri Jual

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is under the consideration of the Government for deepening the channel of Paradeep Port;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the capacity likely to be increased on completion of the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The proposal is for deepening of the Approach Channel, Entrance Channel and Turning Cycle of Paradip Port to handle vessels of 1,25,000 Dead Weight Tonnes (DWT). The estimated cost of the project is Rs.142.25 crores. The capacity enhancement due to this deepening is expected to be 15 million tonnes per annum.